

## LITERARY NOTES.

Mr. Du Maurier has been illustrating his new novel "Fribby" with lavish pencil. It is to begin in the January "Harper," and it is described as those who have seen the MS. as something remarkable.

Mr. Frederick D. Thompson's book, "In the Track of the Sun: Readings from the Diary of a Globe-Trotter," is just coming from the Appleton press. This account of a journey around the world is full of illustrations, including drawings by Mr. H. Fenn and reproductions of photographs.

There are lovers of English literature who will open wide eyes of astonishment upon Mr. Leslie Stephen's recently published opinions concerning Dryden; there are others who will read them with a sigh of relief that so competent an authority should frankly proclaim convictions which they have cherished in secret. Discussing Mr. Saintsbury's new revision of Scott's edition of Dryden, Mr. Stephen says:

Briefly, Dryden is a great man, whose greatness could be denied by no one with a proper fear of the critics before us, but who we can not think that any of the men of whom whomisimous friendship we are ambitious. We cannot shake him by the hand. If his best things were collected into one volume, and the rest were scattered among the rest, he would hardly be sensible to the loss of the professor of literature; and even the one volume would gather dust upon most bookshelves.

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years, have been helped at a cost of \$10,000. The endowment of the society, which was \$17,000 in 1860, has increased to \$22,000. The society provides the girls with food and fuel, and assists them to get work. It tries to induce girls to become servants in private families. The society was founded thirty years ago by Isabella Graham, of New Orleans, to help the poor widows and children of soldiers of the Revolution.

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A CANCEROUS GROWTH SUCCESSFULLY REMOVED FROM HIS JAW.

General Joseph B. Carr, ex-Secretary of State, upon whom a delicate surgical operation was performed in St. Luke's Hospital on Wednesday afternoon, was reported yesterday as resting well. The General will remain at the hospital for some days. He has been troubled with cancer for several years, and has had operations performed several times before at St. Luke's. His first visit was on September 13, 1891, when he was operated upon by Dr. Gibson, who was then house surgeon, and Dr. Williams, Bull.

General Carr, who is about sixty years old, was totally laid up by his physician that another operation was absolutely necessary to save his life, and arrangements were made for another visit to St. Luke's. The General and Mrs. Carr arrived from Troy on Tuesday, and immediately went to St. Luke's. The operation was performed by the consulting Dr. Robert F. Weir, of No. 37 Thirty-third-st., assisted by the house surgeon, Dr. Henry H. Thorp, and the hospital steward. The operation a most difficult and delicate one, was performed in less than two hours. A piece of the cancerous tissue was taken out, and a cancerous growth of nearly two inches in circumference was taken from the lower right jaw.

The operation was entirely successful, and the General is now improving rapidly, under the care of his wife and a trained nurse.

## THE WHITEMAN PROSECUTION ENDED.

Recorder Smyth, in General Sessions yesterday dismissed the indictment for passing a worthless check found against Alonso F. Whiteman. Purdy F. Case, the complainant, said he was satisfied that Whiteman merely overwrote his name. Whiteman, who is a Yale graduate, was formerly a delegate to the Democratic National Convention last year. Previous to his arrest he "followed the races."

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